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Colchester Parks & Recreation Commission

September 13th, 2010

Town Hall

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Members Present: Chairman S. O'Leary, L. Stephenson, M. Kennedy, C. Ferrante, E. Kundahl, L. Dimock, and N. Kaplan

Members Absent: A. Spranzo. Alternate, C. Williams

Others Present: A. Pizzutiello Recreation, Greg Cordova, Greg Plunkett, Tim Angel, Paula McDowell, Tim Wescott, Joe Brady, Mike Blanco, Tom Lambert, Cindy Hardy, Kathy Scott, Paul Scheur, Steve Teller, David Blanchard, and Brett Kinglsey

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman S. O'Leary called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.
2. **Citizen's Comments:** Kathy Scott commented on need for a Lacrosse Equipment Shed in Spring 2011
3. **Acceptance of Minutes, August 2nd, 2010 Meeting:** E. Kundahl motioned to accept the minutes of the August 2nd, 2010 meeting. Seconded by C. Ferrante. All other members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**
4. **Reading of Correspondence:** None
5. **Committee Reports**
 - **Facilities:** None
 - **Finance/Administration:** L. Stephenson gave Finance/Admin Report
 - **Programs:** None
 - **BOS Liaison:** None
 - **BOF Liaison:** None
 - **BOE Liaison:** None
 - **Dog Park:** None
 - **Senior Center Study Group:** None
6. **Discussion and Possible Action on Update of R8:** Improvements to R8 were discussed. The Commission is please with results.
7. **Discussion and Possible Action on Number of Baseball Fields vs. Softball Fields:** Cindy Hardy spoke in favor of more softball fields. Improvements to softball fields were discussed. Baseball/Softball League will have further discussion about resolving the difficulties through scheduling, and come back to another commission meeting with updates.
8. **Discussion on Effectiveness of Hiring Seasonal Employees Which Replaced a Full-Time Position:** Tim Angel reported to the Commission on the effectiveness of the seasonal employees. Tim was pleased with the seasonal staff.
9. **Discussion on Government Supplied Seasonal Employees and How It Impacted the Department's Workload:** Tim Angel reported to the Commission on the effectiveness of the Government supplied seasonal employees. Tim was pleased with the seasonal staff and remarked on how satisfied he was with the more mature labor that was provided.

10. **Discussion and Possible Action on Sport League Endorsement Applications:**

- **Colchester Youth Football League:** N. Kaplan made a motion to accept the endorsement application from the Colchester Youth Football League. Seconded by L. Dimock. All other members present voted in favor.

MOTION CARRIED

- **CTC Baseball, LLC:** L. Stephenson made a motion to accept the endorsement application from CTC Baseball, LLC. Seconded by L. Dimock. N. Kaplan Stated his concern for a small team maintaining the requirements necessary to keep the endorsement valid. S. O'Leary opposed. C. Ferrante abstained. All other members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

11. **Director's Report:** None

12. **Recreation Supervisor's Report (February, May, August, October):** A. Pizzutiello gave Recreation Supervisor's Report including update on plans for 57 Fest. L. Stephenson made a motion to accept the 57 Fest plans. Seconded by C. Ferrante. All other members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**

12. **General Comments:** Paula McDowell asked if CYF could get onto the field a day early. S. O'Leary abstained from the discussion. The remaining commission members were in agreement that CYF going onto the field a day early would be fine.

E. Kundahl shared citizen concerns which have been brought to his attention about CYF closing R8 during inclement weather.

13. **Adjournment:** Motion was made by C. Ferrante to adjourn at 8:06 p.m.. Seconded by E. Kundahl. All other members present voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Candace Barnes, Clerk